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ADDRESS

Of the Right Honourable the

Lords Spiritual and Temporal,

In Parliament Assembled,

PRESENTED TO

HIS MAJESTY,

On *Friday* the Tenth Day of *January*, 1723.

WITH

His Majesty's

MOST GRACIOUS

ANSWER.

LONDON,

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Die Veneris 10 Januarii, 1723.

ORdered by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, That the Address of this House, presented to His Majesty, and His Majesty's most Gracious Answer thereunto, be forthwith Printed and Published.

Wm Cowper,
Cler' Parliamentor'

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Most Gracious Sovereign;

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, humbly return Your Majesty the Thanks of this House for Your Majesty's most Gracious Speech from the Throne, and for Your Gracious Acceptance of our sincere Endeavours for Your Service during the last Session. We cannot, in Justice, but acknowledge, that the Prosperous and Flourishing Condition, and the present Tranquility of the Kingdom, are the Natural Effects of Your Majesty's Wise and Steady Government. Your Majesty's Powerful Influence on all Your Foreign Negotiations, towards the Preservation of the General Peace, gives us very great Satisfaction. We beseech Your

Majeſty to believe nothing can be dearer to us, than Your Honour; and that we cannot think any thing of greater Importance, than the Enabling Your Majeſty to maintain the Tranquility of *Europe*.

We humbly beg Leave, with Hearts full of Duty and Gratitude, to acknowledge Your Majeſty's Paternal Care and Tenderneſs, in deſiring the Eaſe of Your People from all unneceſſary Burthens, and Your Inexpreſſible Goodneſs, in declaring from the Throne Your full Satisfaction, that the Trade and Wealth of Your People are the Happy Effects of the Liberties they enjoy; and that the Grandeur of Your Crown conſiſts in the Proſperity of Your Subjects. We beg Your Majeſty to believe, that nothing ſhall be ever wanting on our Part, that can tend to the Increaſe of Your Majeſty's Happineſs and Glory; and that we are firmly and unanimouſly Reſolv'd, with our Lives and Fortunes, to maintain our preſent Happy Eſtabliſhment, as the only ſolid Foundation, upon which we can Hope for the Quiet Enjoyment of our Religion, Laws and Liberties.

His MAJESTY'S moſt Gracious ANSWER.

My LORDS,

I Give you My Hearty Thanks for this Dutiful and Loyal Addreſs. Your Affectionate Concern for My Honour and Happineſs is very Acceptable to Me. Be aſſured it ſhall be My conſtant Care to preſerve the Rights and Liberties of My People.

FINIS.